

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested. Claims 1-8 and 11-14 are now pending in this application, claims 9 and 10 having been cancelled by the present Amendment. Claims 1-14 stand rejected.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §102

In the final Office Action mailed November 8, 2005, claims 1-8 and 11-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by **Matsuo et al.** (USP 6,762,806). For the reasons set forth in detail below, it is respectfully submitted that the claims, as presently amended, patentably distinguish over the previously cited prior art.

Claims 1, 5 and 11 have been amended to include features the same as or similar to those recited in claims 9 and 10. Specifically, claims 1 and 5 have been amended to further recite “wherein the display device [or electronic apparatus] has a height that is equivalent to a total height of the display unit and the cover only.” Claim 11 has been amended similarly. Support for the changes to claims 1, 5 and 11 is provided in original claims 9 and 10, and, e.g., in Fig. 7 and the description thereof.

In the final Office Action, the Examiner asserts that (1) the liquid crystal display panel 4 corresponds to the claimed “display unit”; (2) the first holder 5 and the shading plate 67 correspond to the claimed “chassis”; (3) the second holder 6 corresponds to the claimed “bezel”; and (4) the reflecting back surface 51 corresponds to the claimed “cover”. Moreover, the

Examiner asserts that the area around engaging portion 66 corresponds to the claimed “extension portion” of the bezel. See Office Action, pages 2 and 3.

The Examiner recognizes that **Matsuo et al.** does not disclose the features recited in claims 9 and 10 (see §103 rejection in November 8, 2005 Office Action). The Examiner applies **Fukuyama et al.** to teach the features recited in claims 9 and 10, asserting that Fig. 2, element 14, illustrates a display device having a height equivalent to the total height of the display unit and cover only.

However, **Fukuyama et al.** do not teach the features previously recited in claims 9 and 10 (now recited in claims 1, 5 and 11). First, Fig. 2 cited by the Examiner does not illustrate a display unit. Fig. 2 illustrates a backlight for a display. Thus, Fig. 2 does not show a “display device [or electronic apparatus] having a height that is equivalent to a total height of the display unit and the cover only” because the device shown in Fig. 2 does not include a display unit.

Second, it is the “display device” (currently amended claim 1) and “electronic apparatus” (currently amended claim 10) comprising a display unit, a chassis, a bezel, and a cover that has a height equivalent to a total height of the display unit and cover only. Fig. 2 clearly does not disclose or suggest the arrangement having the height as recited in claims 1 and 5 because Fig. 2 does not include the display unit, chassis and bezel, as claimed. Similar arguments apply to claim 11.

Finally, Fig. 1 of **Fukuyama et al.** illustrates a liquid crystal display module. However, the liquid crystal display module shown in Fig. 1 does not have a height equivalent to a total height of a display unit and a cover only. As can be seen in Figs. 1, 3 and 5b, the height of the

display device includes a height of a casing shaped frame 4. Thus, the height of the liquid crystal display module shown in Fig. 1 does not have a height that is equivalent to a total height of the display unit and the cover *only*.

Therefore, in view of the above remarks, it is respectfully submitted that **Fukuyama et al.** do not alleviate the deficiencies of **Matsuo et al.** and the combination of references does not result in the invention presently recited in independent claims 1, 5 and 11. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 5 and 11, and claims dependent therefrom, are respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 9 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over **Matsuo et al.** as applied to claims 1 or 5, and in view of **Fukuyama et al.** (USP 6,741,299).

Claims 9 and 10 have been cancelled by the present Amendment. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 9 and 10 is rendered moot.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and accompanying remarks, it is submitted that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. A prompt and favorable reconsideration of the rejection and an indication of allowability of all pending claims are earnestly solicited.

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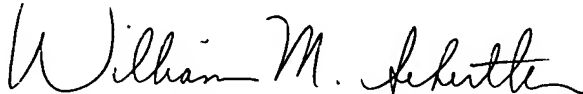
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If the Examiner believes that there are issues remaining to be resolved in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite and complete prosecution of this case.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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